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Presented for filing is a new **Continuation** patent application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of:

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TITLE : CONNECTIVE TISSUE GROWTH FACTOR FRAGMENTS AND METHODS AND USES THEREOF

The prior application is assigned of record to **FIBROGEN, INC.**, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording on June 2, 2000, at Reel 010823, Frame 0276; and to **UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI**, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording on June 2, 2000, at Reel 010823, Frame 0287.

Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required for a filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b):

Pages of Specification	53
Pages of Claims	2
Pages of Abstract	1
Pages of Declaration (from Parent)	4
Sheets of Drawing	8

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Under 35 USC § 121, this application is a **continuation** application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/461,646 filed August 15, 2001, now pending; which claims priority under 35 USC § 119(e) of U.S. Application Serial Nos. 60/112,240 filed December 14, 1998 and 60/112,241 filed December 14, 1998, now abandoned. The disclosure of each of the prior applications is considered part of and is incorporated by reference in the disclosure of this application.

This request includes Three (3) sheets, and the following:

- Preliminary Amendment (6 pages);
- Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
Forms PTO-1449 (filed in parent application) (7 pages);
Forms PTO-892 (filed in parent application) (1 page);
- Request for Transfer of Computer Readable Form (2 pages);
- Sequence Listing (6 pages);
- Check No. 543971 in the amount of \$393.00; and
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If this application is found to be INCOMPLETE, or if it appears that a telephone conference would helpfully advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned at (858) 677-1456.

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